The men Superintendent Byrnes has had at work trying to solve the mystery surrounding the shooting of Miss Martha J. Fuller in the office of her employer, William M. Mullen, at 114 Nassau street, a week ago to-day, were withdrawn from the case yesterday. If you set a police official whether the mystery is solved, he answers that it is, and then looks more mysterious. As a matter of fact, the sen printed in the newspapers from day to day, but they have it under oath, and they are paring it for presentation to the Coroner's ary at the inquest which will begin Monday norning at 11 o'clock. They have nothing, it anderstood, that has not already been given the public except the formal statements of some office boys and of some members of Miss Faller's family. The substance of these state-

ments has been printed. According to an official who talked with a Bux reporter yesterday, the conclusion of the dental, and that it was done by Joseph T. Mages, the young lawyer, who was the only person in the office at the time of the shooting besides Miss Fuller herself. The absence of notive for either suicide or murder, together with the expert testimony that It would have been almost impossible for Miss Fuller to have inflicted the wound herself, is responsihis for the conclusion, the official said.

"It is our belief," he said, "that there is some one in Mr. Mullen's office, or the very intimate friend of some one there, who has not told the truth. It is that person, we behere, who loaded the revolver. He fears to tell the fact now, because of a mistaken idea that he might get into trouble. There is positive evidence that the revolver was unloaded at 9 o'clock in the morning, when Richard Burton, the office boy, looked at it. There is resitive evidence that Miss Fuller hersel knew nothing about firearms, was afraid even to handle them, or to watch anybody else handle them; so it may safely be assumed that she did not load this one. It was a new style revolver, which even a person used to the old style might not know how to load. All the testimony goes to show that fifteen minutes er twenty minutes at the outside, before the oting Miss Fuller and Mr. Magee were side by side at work. When last seen they were laughing over a joke told by the office boy. Burton. It is just as unlikely that an 'ungovernable temper' would arise to a shooting p int in fifteen minutes as that a girl should thout reason resolve to shoot her head off.

"Magee didn't keep the pistol loaded. If tt was loaded by somebody else, as we believe. then Magee probably didn't know it was load-Suppose, for instance, that a person who had no business to meddle with it had loaded it for fun, and had had to slip it into the drawer suddenly when somebody came into the office. If Magee didn't know it was loaded many things might have happened to induce him to take it from the drawer. Conversation between the two might have turned to some subject or or that would call for its display, or that would result in its display. It may have been conversation of the most pleasant character.

would result in its display. It may have been conversation of the most pleasant character, or it may have been otherwise. Once out of the drawer, no matter what was the object of its production, the natural sequence of the handling of 'unloaded' weapons came, and Miss Fuller was shot.

Being familiar with the law, Magee would have realized his position quicker than an ordinary man. To run away would have been iaia. There being no witness present the difficulty he would have in proving that the shot was accidental would some to his mind, and then again he knew that if he could prove that the shooting was accidental he would still be guiltr and could be punished accessed rises of mansiaughter in the second degree, the penalty tor which is not more than ifficen years' imprisonment. Now a natural thing for a man to do under such circumstances would be to say it was a suicide, would it not? Sober judgment doesn't come in at a time like that, and once having said sujede' it would be dangerous to tell the truth afterward. We think that the manner of his calling for assistance was significant and supports the accident theory. Didn't he say several times 'a terrible accident has happened in my office. It may have been in his mind then to tell just how it happened."

No doubt is entertained that the police will set the Grand Jury to indict Magee. Under as indictment for murder, should that be found, the jury may convict of any kind of homicide and in any degree defined by the law. Meanwhile severy effort will be made to draw the truth out of the person who is believed to be concealing it.

Sichard Burton, the office boy, was questioned and cross-questioned yesterday, but he stuck to his assertion that he had not loaded the pistoi and that he knew at 90 clock in the morning that it was unloaded, because he broke it in two "and saw that all the chambers were empty. He didn't load it before he put it back in the drawer.

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With the towel out of it the most damaging testimony now is the supposed absence of the revolver from the floor when the first persons entered the room after the alarm. If it was put on the floor benide the dying girl after the alarm had been given and after Mr. Kiernan and lawyer Hiley had been in the office, that circumstance would suggest an attempt to above as a suicide what was not a suicide, but what might have been an accident and not a murder. In fact, nearly all the evidence that could be interpreted as betraying an attempt to make out a case of suicide has as much force it it was an accident as if it was a murder that there was a hasty effort to conceal. But Magee's denials that he had paid attentions to the girl, while she told her relatives that he had and that she had rebuffed him, are still a puzzling part of the case.

Expert testimony is not going to play a great part in the case, it was said yesterday. There is too great a difference of opinion about the powder marks and burning from gunshot wounds. While Dr. Weston and a dozen or so other experts assert that marks are always present at short range, other doctors are popping up and citing cases to prove the contrary. Dr. Robert Safford Newton of St. Mary's General Heolitei told yesterday of a case he attended last year. A young woman of Miss Fuller's are shotherself in the head with a 45-calibre revolver. Dr. Robert Safford Newton of St. Mary's General Heolitei told yesterday of a case he attended last year. A young woman of Miss Fuller's are shotherself in the head with a 45-calibre revolver. Dr. Robert Safford Newton of St. Mary's General Heolitei told yesterday of a case he attended last year. A young woman of Miss Fuller's are shotherself in the head with a 45-calibre revolver. Dr. Robert Safford Newton to so with the should the safe and marged an inchalgent to severe and severe and severe and severe and severe and sev

SLIVINSKI AT THE SALMAGUNDI. The Eninest Plantst Playing for the Bobe-

mias Painters. There was a session of the Salmagundi Club last evening, at which Mr. Josef Slivinski played upon his own plane a number of selections. It was an arrangement made by Mr. Slivinski's own suggestion, he having been entertained by the Salmagundi previously, but there was a considerable informality in keeping with the temperament of the club

After playing a number of times, to the great delight of the artists, an address was present ed to the musical artist the like of which was hever given to any other performer. It conhever given to any other performer. It consisted of a certificate of honorary membership, embellished with original water-color drawings by Thomas Moran, President of the club; H. M. isosenberg, F. L. Durand, Carl Blenner, W. H. Brake, R. M. Shuriteff, and others of the club. This illuminated document was presented to Mr. Slivinski without coremony, and he accepted the unusual honor becomingly, incidently a clusses was cut and a keg or two of beer was opened, and there were sob pipes and tobacco galore.

Paster Wouldken Called to Brooklys,

The Rev. Cornelius Woelfken, pastor of the North Baptist Church in Jersey City, has received a call to the Greene Avenue Haptist Church in Brooklyn. He said yesterday that he had not decided whether to accept it or bot. Mr. Woolfken went to Jersey City from Hackspack two years and to Jersey City from liackeneack two years ago.

CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR.

Thirty-four Mepublicans to the Field as-The situation of the Republican party bere in New York city is getting so that it passes understanding. There is the bitterest feeling otween men who have always been supposed

to be friends. But the older and the wiser Republicans in sist that this situation will be straightened out in due time, and they pay little or no heer to the cries of those who really think there is anything serious in the differences of the Re-

publican party of New York county.

The great point is that the Republicans all over the State have a blooming idea that they are to elect their candidate for Governor this fall. They are fascinated with the notion, and can't stop to think about factional differences

in New York county.

There have been four Republican Governors of the State in thirty-six years, namely, Edwin D. Morgan, Reuben E. Fenten, John A. Dix

and Alonzo B. Cornell. There never was a time in all these year when the Republicans were more confident that unless the industrial situation changes they will certainly elect their candidate for

In the last week or two important Democratic leaders of the State have talked about this very matter also, and the conclusion is tha Gov. Flower is a pretty strong man. In fact he is acknowledged to be the strongest man o his party in the State. In the last few days the anti-snappers have

also discussed this question. They are still determined that if their delegates are thrown out of the next Democratic Convention they will set up shop for themselves and nominate their own candidate for Governor.

The liepublicans got to work yesterday and figured up just how many candidates would be presented to the next Republican State Convention. The list appended includes all who have been mentioned as possible candidates:

Erie County-John Scatcherd, George Urban, Jr. Comptroller James A. Roberts, and Judge Daniels-4. Livingston County-Gen, James W. Wadsworth-1. Monroe County-William A. Butherland-1.

State—2.

Chemung County—Jacob Sloat Passett—1.

Chemango County—Representative George W. Ray—1

Albany County—Secretary of State John Palmer—1

Warren county—State Freaturer Addison B. Colvin—1

Warshington County—Ex-Representative Henry Of

Baker, Jf—2.

At Lawrence county—Judge Lesile W. Russell—1.

Fulton county—John H. Marin—1.

Lewis county—Representative Charles A. Chiekerin—1.

Westchester county-Ex-Collector William H. Rober

Westchester county—Ex-Collector William R. Robert1007—1.
Orange county—Judge Enoch L. Fancher and Senator
Clarence Lexow—2.
Wayns county—Senator Charles T. Saxton—1.
Rrooms county—Mayor Green of Singhambon—1.
Kings County—Ex-Secretary Benjamin F. Tracy and
Mayor Rehiersu—2.
hew York County—Channesy M. Depew, Eilhu Root,
Joseph H. Cheate, Cornelius N. Bliss, ap-Vice-Fresident
Lavi P. Moriou, ex-Minister Whitelaw Reid, and E. B.
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The most important bit of information received resterday was that Mayor Schleren of Brooklyn has got the Gubernatorial bee right under his hat.

The Republicans who talked with a Sun reporter said that Mr. Schlaren has been positively attacked with the malady, and that certain members of the Committee of Thirty have sought to impress him with the idea that he, and he alone, can capture the nomination. Another interesting bit was that Dr. Depew's friends had become convinced that he must accept the nomination, and that if he did so all hands would heartily join in supporting him. Mr. Morton is still in Europe, and has had no direct communication with the Republican leaders.

Judge Russell of St. Lawrence was in town yesterday at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. His friends said that St. Lawrence would give him 10,000 majority if he received the nomination. Gov. Flower, however, is very strong in that Republican stronghold.

WANMAKER HAS AN ENROLLMENT For Netther the Thirty Nor Milhelland, but

Just for Me and Patterson. George W. Wanmaker enrolled about fifty new members in the old Patterson organization last night at a meeting held at 341 West Forty-seventh street in the Eighteenth Assembly district. In view of the fact that the old organization is expected to be superreded in a few days by a new organization perfected under the Bliss-Root plan administered by the Committee of Thirty, the purpose of the enrollment of men in that organization at this

time is not generally understood. It is known that Wanmaker, who is Chairman of the Executive Committee of the old machine, practically represents Jacob M. Patterson, who prefers to emulate the cautious Br'er Rabbit during this period of party revolution. Patterson and the old leaders are popularly supposed to be hand with the Committee of Thirty

in glove with the Committee of Thirty in the effort to execute the Bliss-Boot plan, but there is a little more than a suspicion that they intend to maintain their control on the organization in the city, and that they find the best way to do so is to continue the find the best way to do so is to continue the existence of the old machine, which is theirs beyond the shadow of a doubt.

One of the reasons for keeping the old machine alive is the belief that it will control the appointment of the Republican election officers this fall. It is the regular Republican organization recognized by the last State Convention, and as such would be entitled to the election officers. as against the Milholland organization or the Committee of Thirty, providing its regularity does not become a thing of the past through the action of the State organization prior to the appointment of election officers.

Patterson and his friends are desirous of dictating the appointment of their friends on the Election Board, when they can laugh at the Committee of Thirty and Milholand. The latter, however, is counting on legislation which will prevent the consummation of Patterson's wish.

RYE REPUBLICANS EXCITED.

A Blow Struck by Dr. O. J. Stafford at an Opponent at a Convention.

The Republicans narrowly avoided a fight at their Convention at Bye on Thursday night. Addison Johnson was nominated for Supervisor without opposition, and John C. Halpin was put up for Town Clerk.

There was the hottest kind of fight for the nomination for Excise Commissioner. Wilnomination for Excise Commissioner. William E. Ward, one of Port Chester's best-known citizens, worked like a beaver for Edward L. Brown. Dr. O. J. Stafford, Brown's opponent, demanded an explanation.

Ward finally told him that he thought Brown the better mm. Dr. Stafford accused Ward of traducing him, and struck him. Before Ward could retaliste, friends rushed between the men and the trouble was over.

Brown was nominated by a vote of 77 to 33. He is a vestyman of St. Feter's Episcopal Church in Port Chester. Ward is a son-in-law of the late Warren Leland.

Ex. Mayor Thompson Leaves the Bemocrats. DETROIT, March 23.-Ex-Mayor William G. Thompson, one of Grant's 306 delegates at Chicago in 1880, father of Mrs. Henry Legrand Cannon of New York, and member of the Man-Canon of New York, and member of the Han-hattan Club of that city, who ten years ago left the Republican and joined the Democratic party, stumping this State for Cleveland in 1884, publishes a card to-day in which he re-nounces his connection with the Democratic party, and says he will return to his old affilia-tions. The publication was brought about by the mention of Mr. Thempson's name for Chairman of the Democratic State Committee.

Bristow With the Thirty. Benjamin H. Bristow has been added to the list of speakers who will address the mass meeting to be held at Cooper Union next Wed-nesday evening under the auspices of the Com-mittee of Thirty, which is organizing a faction of the Republican party in this city.

Georgia Central's Floating Brbt. SAVANNAH, March 23.-Receivers Hayes and Comer of the Central Railroad of Georgia todebt of that company, amounting to about five and a haif million dollars, is nearly consum-mated. The contract with the Mercantile Trust Company will soon be ready for signa-ture.

Patti to Sall To-day.

It was said yesterday at the Windsor Hotel that Mms. Patti had recovered from the cold which she contracted in Philagelphia, and would sail to-day for England on the steam-ship Campania. Mms. Patti had many callers.

Senator Colquitt's Condition. WASHINGTON, March 23 .- At midnight the condition of Senator Colquitt was unchanged. He was resting easily and was still conscious. His physician thinks that he will live through the night.

TO BREAK THE SOLID SOUTH.

BOSTON'S HOME MARKET CLUB TO TRY TO RESCT ROLB IN ALABAMA.

A Secret Circular Asking for Fauds in New Regined Which Shows that Mr. Rolb, Branter Monr, and Other New Englander Have Been in Conference on the Matter

Bosron, March 23.-The Home Market Club is stirring itself in New England as an active ally of the Kolb party in Alabama and seeks to raise \$5,000 to aid the Jeffersonian Democrate in the eampaign there. Hoar in a letter says he believes that this campaign may result in breaking the Solid South and assuring the triumph of protection. The Home Market Club has sent out circulars marked "In confidence," seeking to raise this money. The appeal is:

To the Chairmen or Republican Town Committee to New Eng Gentlaway: These best versed in national politics beliera that no better use can be made of a little money this year than to immediately extend aid to the Jeffer-senian Democrats of Alabama. We wish to raise at least \$5,000 in New England. In order that all parts may have a share in this hopeful work and make the burden as light as possible for each, you are requested to ask your friends to contribute what they will. The sum desired from your town is about \$10. Will you see personally, or have some trustworthy person do it for you, such of your best Republicans as will make up this amount? Please return all the papers with check money order, payable to Albert Clarke, Treasurer, is sed stamped envelope and within a few days

Prudence requires that strict privacy should be observed in raising the money. There is so much prejudice in the South that it might be fatal to the cause to have it become known that the Kolb party receives any aid from New England. We pray you therefore, to avoid seeing any but discreet men, and Impress upon them the importance of secrecy.

Jonn Surrant (of Shapard, Norwell & Co.). Jour Snaw (of Johnson & Shaw). ALSERY CLARKE, Secretary of the Home Market Club.

Accompanying this appeal is a bulletin of ope, under the heading of "Light Breaking in the South," It is an extract from the Home Market Bulletin of March, 1894, and reads:

Capt. Reuben F. Kolb Las been nominated by the Jeffersonian Democrats of Alabama for Governor upon a platform demanding a free ballot and a fair count and protection to American industries. The election will be held in August, and at the same time a Legislature will be chosen which will elect a successor to Senator Morgan. In 1802 Capt. Kolb elected Governor by more than 45,majority, and by more than 30,-majority of the white vote, but counted out and was refused by the Legislature a law for contesting the result. But this year the election officers in hirty-eight of the sixty-six counties belong to his party and he is not likely to be counted

his party and he is not likely to be counted out.

"The Convention which nominated him was the largest ever held in the South. Advices from leading Republicans there say that he will have the support of nearly all of their party. This is the most hopeful movement we have ever seen in the South. If it breaks the Democratic solidity of that section, secures an honest ballot, and puts the people there where most of them have long desired to be, squarely on the side of protection, it will make an epoch in the progress of this country. After their success the maxt revision of the tariff will be on business lines and not on political lines, and will be national instead of sectional." Appended to this bulletin are three letters. One is from ex-Gov. Smith of Alabama, Republican. It is dated at Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 15, 1894, and is addressed to Col. Clarke. It says: 1894, and is addressed to Col. Clarke. It says:
I take pleasure in stating that the Convention which
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Jemocrate hope to get a regular Republican ticket in the field in order that they can, they think, drive former Democrate back into the oid organization. This matter I believe is so thoroughly understood by the voters that no harm whatever will result to Capt. Kolb by any caurse these people may pursue. I desire to say that Capt. Rolb is in every respect a gentleman worthy the combidence of all persons. Very respectivity. A letter from United States Senator Hoar, dated in Washington on Washington's Birth-

moss promising ract that has taken blace in the history of the south for many years, and that if he succeeds in his movement, as we are condient he will, the soil Bouth is broken, and that the surcess of the cause of protection is assured. While he differs from us upon its question of the colonge of silver, and upon the less important, though important, question stated in portant, question stated in the colonge of silver, and upon the less important, though important, question stated and questions, an honest ballot, and is thereaghly sound upon the question of protection. In some way I have no doubt that the forces that he seads will be found acting with us in all great essentials in the future. He is worthy of our support and our sympathy. Mr. Kden Draper, who has gone home, will tell you the particulars. Capt. Koib

Highest of all in Leavening Power.- Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Val Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

NOTES OF THE ART GALLERIES,

Some Paintings by American Artists,

Mr. Thomas Hovenden is best known in New York as a painter of negro character and figure pictures telling a story. In the exhibi-tion of a dozen of his paintings, now at the Avery gallery, he has blossomed forth in the spring as a painter of landscape, and it must be admitted that he has done himself no diseredit. It has been always a characteristic of Mr. Hovenden to appear sincere and faithful to his purposes in his work. He is no less so in his landscapes, although it is plain that he has wavered a little, and in the course of his experimenting in a new field he has made at least one unhappy excursion into the over wrought realm of plein air. In his "Grandma's Second Sight," a large-headed little girl threading her grandmother's needle, and the Travelling Clock Mender," in which the light seems to be over intense and the coloring unnaturally vivid, Mr. Hovenden appears in his wonted role, but these are the least interesting of his present works. Morning in May," is a picture of a young girl, not wholly agreeable in type or treatment, and set in a sunlit landscape of an extreme green. In "Late Twilight," how ever. Mr. Hovenden is seen in a new and most delightful mood. A country road beside frings of wood, and with some traces of a recent snow, is fine in feeling and sentiment and there is something of the same sense of atmesphere in "Moonlight, Washington," and 'A Misty Night," also done at the national capital. The "Snow, Kent, England," is a little hard and lacking in the softening influence of atmosphere. There are two orchard scenes that are excellent in depth and sun-"The Orehard, Autumn." is a large light. p'cture of much interest, and there is very pleasant suggestion in the smaller "Orchard Path." There is a very springy "Springtime and afigure study of a girl in an old-gold slik dress at the plane. It is called "The Song." and it is entirely successful in character.

Seven American artists are represented in little collection in Mr. Macbeth's little gallery in Fifth avenue. Mr. Alfred Brennan is one of these, who, being a man of considerable talent. has appeared to rely upon that reputation to justify his careless or eccentric work. His large portrait, "Miss Ellen Terry, A. D., 1865," painted from an old photograph, is not, of course, a recognizable likeness nearly thirty years later, and Mr. Brennan must have paintyears later, and Mr. Brennan must have painted it for the sake of the old-style bell skirt and the colors of his background. It is rich as a color study, and not without a certain retrospective interest. Two small pletures of children, "Sweet Oaten Pipes," an idle boy blowing a reed with his dog beside him, and two little tots, "Utterly Reckless Pedestrians," are charming in character, "Aiolescence," "St. Valentine," and "Utopia" have their color harmonies alone to recommend them, while his "Venus," who is poised on the apex of an incipient water spout, is a condition of the sea and into a condition of the sky that are wholly fanciful. Mr. E. A. Bell has a number of pictures of sheep and shepherdesses that are entirely agreeable in character and direction. The scene each time is laid in France, and the hour is evening twillight. "In Dreamland" the sweet, sad face of the young woman tending her sheep in the wood is plaintively fine in its expression. Arthur B. Davies is a young farmer-painter of whom his friends plausibly promise better things. He had an odd thing or two in the show of the Independents, and he is represented there by five paintings and some water-color sketches. He has an unmistakably fine sense of color. His water color drawing, "Mother and Child," is charming in color and composition sometimes inexpiteable, out there is always a redeeming something, call it feeling or color, or what you please. Mr. Low's "Huntress," a butterfly chaser, has been seen at the Academy, and so has Mr. Prellwitz's "Prodigal Son," a sober composition, good in ed it for the sake of the old-style bell skirt and ing or color, or what you please. Mr. Low's "Huntress," a butterfly chaser, has been seen at the Academy, and so has Mr. Freliwitz's "Prodigal Son," a sober composition, good in figures and landscape, which won a Haligarten prize at the Academy a year ago. Mr. H. M. Rosenberg has two pictures, both fine in their way, but entirely different. "A Difficult Selection" is a dark studio interior in which a musician is looking over his music. It is rich in color, well managed in composition, and agreeable in sentiment. It is out of his usual manner. The little picture, "Walfs of the Wayside," is in a more familiar color key, but it lacks something. The little girl with her bunch of wild daisles is attractive, but the gray tone that rervades and involves the whole picture, while a very delightful gray of a sort much sought after and affected by painters, leaves no contrast, and like a glaze in the

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IT WAS BRUN'S BODY.

The Charles River Satelde the Missing Mereastile Library Carate uer.

The body of the man found on the Charles River flats, near the Harvard bridge, on Thurs day morning, was identified yesterday as that of Charles Brun, cataloguer in the Mercantile Library of this city, who had been missing since Feb. 28. The identification was made by Mr. H. Balkwill of 312 Lenox avenue, brother-in-law of Miss Emma Fitzgerald of 336 West Twenty-fifth street, to whom the dead man was engaged to be married. Balkwill went to Boston on reading of a description of the body in Thursday's EVENING The description tallied so well with that of Mr. Brun that the identification of the body by her brother-in-law caused Miss Fitzgerald no surprise.

Mr. Brun's death is attributed by Miss Fitzgerald to suicide. No suspicion of his having met with foul play is entertained. The same cause, whatever it was, which induced him to give up an honorable and well-paid post and to abandon his prospective bride, is supposed to have led him to make way with himself. There are two modes of accounting for his disappearance and subsequent suicide. He had for ome time complained of pains in his head which were apparently severe enough to affect his mind, if not to drive him, even if sane to suicide.

In his lodging at 80 Fourth avenue there was found, the day after he disappeared, a note addressed to Miss Fitzgerald, date 2, in which he said the pains in his head had increased to such an extent that he had become alarmed as well as tortured. Toward the end he tried to be facetious, and said that in time he would probably laugh over his fright and pain. Accompanying the note was a will, in which he left his possessions to Miss

tion of his picture by some of the newspapers. A few days afterward a young man called at the lodging house in Fourth avenue and asked to see the photograph from which the picture was taken. After inspecting it he asked for a specimen of Brun's handwriting. He identified the handwriting as well as the photograph, said Mr. Rydill, Brun's landlord, last nght, as that of harl Brizler, whom he had known in Belgium, the native country of both. Brizler, Mr. Hydill's visitor continued, was educated in Berlin and served in the German army in the Franco-Frussian war. On his return he made an ambitious marriage, and his wife and daughter, a girl of 15, are now living in Belgium. He disappeared from Belgium as he subsequently disappeared from Brun is known to have been a Belgian, so the story is correct, so far as that goes. He was, too, a man of education. He spoke several inguages, and his piace in the Mercantile Library cannot readily be filled. As a cataloguer he was excellent. His abbits were, so far as is known, good, and it is apparently more likely that his headaches than the fear of committing bigamy drove him to suicide. Miss Fitzgerald scouts at any scandal being responsible for his disappearance, and does not believe in the Belgian wife. They were to have been married the latter part of this month, and she had given up her place as a seleswoman for R Altman & Co.

Mr. Brun went away after drawing a fortnicht's pay—\$70. About six weeks before a collector for the Mercantile Library named Mestravish disappeared also after getting the pay-iue him. Nothing has been heard from the latter since.

CALIFORNIA AND OHIO WINES.

Their Pereign Market Does Not Grow, but the Home Demand in Increasing. For a short time after the ravages of the hylloxers in French vineyards reduced the supply of French wine for export, and for ome consumption, there was a corresponding increase in the demand for California wine for mixing, or blending purposes. Notwithstanding the distance, a considerable quanthere used to make up, in part, the deficiency caused by the destruction of the vines. Before long, however, French wine dealers found a sufficient supply of the cheaper qualities of red wine nearer at hand in Italy and in Hungary, and what promised at one tims to be an extensive source of revenue to the California vine growers did not "pan out" as well as was expected. The exportation of all American wines in bottles last year, amounted to 11,000 dozen against 15,000 dozen the year before. The exportation of American wines not in bottles amounted to 700,000 gallons against 655, ties amounted to 700,000 gallons against 655,-

000 gailons the year before. But while American wines, red or white, are not acquiring much of a foreign market, they are yory rapidly succeeding in domestic use wines which heretofore were imported from abroad. California claret and Ohio white wine are both now in general use throughout the country in restaurants and liquor shops of the cheaper class, and California vineyards are competing not merely with European countries to supply the American market with red wine, but also with Ohio in the product of white wine of the cheaper grade. California has now more than 165,000 acres under bearing vines, and the total vine product of the State amounts annually to alout 16,000,000 gallons. The largest vineyard in the world is In California. wine are both now in general use throughout

State amounts annually to about 16,000,000 gallons. The largest vineyard in the world is in California.

There has recently been a decided boom in the exportation of California brandy, of a good grade, most of it going to tiermany, and one instance of this fact is given in a recent despatch from San Francisco which reports the terman bark Pfluger as leaving that city with a cargo of 163,000 gallons of California brandy, consigned to a German poet. The development of this interest in California has very recently been stimulated by the Midwinter Fair, but it has been known for some time by those in the wine trade that improved cultivation and greater care in manufacture have greatly enhanced, for export purposes, the value of California wines. The soil of the southern part of that State is highly favorable to the product of fruits as well as wines, and the American market for both is gradually, but surely extending.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Judge McAdam of the Superior Court has granted an besiste divorce to Charles thek from Clara Inck. Absolute divorce to Charles like from Clara live.

Judge O'Brien has granted Mrs. Minute R. Brach \$100
counsel fees and \$16 a week alimony pending her suit
for an absolute divorce from William M. Beach. tor an assessme surverse room winten M. means.
A telegram received from Mayor 6 livey resterday ammonneed his departure with his family from thicage
and the probability of their arrival in title city to-might.
Gun Fong and Dong Yuen were found guity yesterday in Spireral Seasions of conducting a poincy shop at 12 Pallairest. They were remanded for sentence on
Yusaday.

Tuesday.

Five Chinamen and a white woman, who were found amaking optum at 171g Bovers afree early yesterlay morning, were held for trial in \$500 ball each in the Tomos Folice Cours.

The salaries of the inspectors and other election officers for service at the special election for Congressies with the paid at the office of the city paymaster, 33 leads afreet, on homisty next at 11 o'clock.

Mr. W. H. Burkhard, assistant manager of the tarif

Reads street on honday next at 11 o'clork.

Mr. W. II. Burkhardt, assistant immager of the tariff department of the New York Board of Fire Underwriters, sain year-edge that there was no truth in the report that his heard went raise the raise of mannance on fishs and apartment houses.

John Coisea, Biy garar old, who was formerly an maker at Carnager Music Hall, was taken to Believus stoeptal yeakerday morning, authering from desirum tremena Colaon lived in a roum at 270 West Ninsteenth street.

Early vesterday morning he armined the hotseshed with his yells, and then began to amash all the furniture.

Drunis Donovan of 1.562 Third avenue and Antonio Contails of \$25. West Pixty-ninch street were removed to Everate Shapes and Antonio Savetale Shapes and Third and the sound that the first street of the Prix of the Shapes and the Sh Luin Johnson, the colored girt who was arrested on Thursday hight for taking away three-year-old Lizzie Kock, whom she found playing in the street in front of her father a saloen at Ninth aronic and Yeriyaev-anth street told Justice Kock in the Torkville Court yesterday that she found the beary who seemed to be lost, and was merely looking for the titile one's parenta, and was merely looking for the titile one's parenta. She admitted having so d the child's ring for 50 cents. She was beid until to-day.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

FIVE LIONS AT A BIRTH.

SULTANA SHOWS UP A PIECE OF ESOP'S IGNORANCE.

She Belights the Heart of Mr. Fernet-Two of the Cabe Brad, but the Others Likely to Grow Up to Se Good and Usetal Licar. Sultana, the African Honess in Noah's Ark Trained Wild Animal Exhibition, which is exhibiting in Flatbush and Fifth avenues, Brooklyn, gave birth to five cubs early yesterday morning. The managers of the show were in great spirits restorday, for they say that Sultann has broken the record. It is not an uncommon thing for three young lions to be born in captivity, and Sultana herself prosented Noah's Ark with four at one birth about

a year ago. All the cubs lived and are now confined in eages adjoining that occupied by their mother. Evi tently encouraged by the result of her former undertaking, and wishing to celebrate her arrival on American soil by an event of particular importance, she nearly drove Manager Francis Ferari crazy with delight by the unuaual occurrance of yesterday morning.

It is said that hardly a smile had crossed the broad English features of Mr. Ferari since the fatal day, two weeks agof when the fight took place between a lion tamer, the giant ant eater and the twenty-aix-pound East India rat on board the steamship Tauric. It will be remembered that the lion tamer had to go to a bospital, and the rat was killed outright When a Sun reporter went to Noah's Ark yesterday, however, Mr. Ferari looked happy once more.

"It's all true," said he; "five of them, at half past 6 this morning."

Then he led the way to Sultana's cage. The front of the cage was boarded up, but a gaudily painted sign announced to the crowd that Bultana, the wild African lioness, had given birth to five cubs, which necessitated solitary confinement until March 26.

"I say, it was a bit of a surprise," said the English manager with an Italian name, wav-ing his hand toward the cage. "We expected there would be an addition before long, but I'm really quite overpowered with it all." 'It's rather uncommon, isn't it?" inquired the reporter.

'It's wonderful," cried the manager excitedly; "but, say, have you seen our performing dogs?"

When were they born?" put in the reporter "This morning. I discovered them mysel When I came in I heard something crying, cat like, don't you know. I listened a bit. Then I knew all at once that Sultana had another

like, don't you know. I listened a bit. Then I knew all at once that Sultana had another litter."

"Have you any objection to my seeing—"began the reporter.

"Not for a thousand dollars," broke in Mr. Ferari excitedly. "I wouldn't dare to go near her myself; she'd kill the whole lot. Why, do you know, two are dead already."

Then he went on to explain that he had found one of the cubs dead on the bettom of the cage, and that the lioness had stepped on another during the morning and killed it. At the reporter's request, he tnok him into a side room and showed one of the dead cubs. It was about a foot long, weighed six pounds, and was covered with soft yellow fur. Mr. Ferari said that the other cub had been sent away to be stuffed.

Just then Lorenzo, the lion tamer, got into a cage adjoining that occupied by Bultana and began to lire off pistols at a lively rate.

Won't that disturb the lioness? "asked the reporter.

Bless me no." said the manager; "she's used to it; it's seeing strangers that makes her usir, Why, if I took off one of those boards she'd likely eat up the other three."

Finally he consented to let the reporter peek through a crack between the boards. The lioness was lying at the further side of the cage, half growling and half whining. Between her front paws lay an uneasy bundle of yellow fur. It was made up of three separate bundles, and each of the three was whimpering in response to the mother as she licked them tenderly. The llon tamer in the next cage fired another pistol, but she paid no attention to it.

"There's Nero, the father." broke in Mr. Ferari: "he's so savage no one wants to fool with him."

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with him."

He got a long pole and poked the big lion in the side. The latter made a sweeping blow at the pole and the manager banged him over the ear. "She's just as had as he is," said he: "the crowd would drive her crass."

Just then Press Agent John Maitland walked up and shook hands with the reporter.

"Great, isn't it?" said he. "I've just sent an 'ad' to the papers that they'll be on exhibition Monday."

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"But two of them are dead, I—"
"Oh, say! we can get them stuffed, you now. Greatest thing that ever happened. on, say! we can get them stuned, you know. Greatest thing that ever happened, five at one time."
Sultana is 7 years old, and has been with Noah's Ark for five years. She was captured in Africa when a cub, and has borne several litters of cubs since her captivity. Nero, the father, is 13 years old, and was born in England.

OBITUARY.

Sir Cunliffe Owen died of heart disease yesterday at his residence, 13 Kirkley Cliff, Lowestoft. Sir Francis Philip Cunliffe Owen. K. C. B., K. C. M. G., C. S. I. and C. L. E. was born in 1828. He was secretary of the lloyal British Commission at the Vienna Exhibition; British Commissioner to the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia, and to the Paris Exhibition of 1878, and secretary of the Royal Commission on the Colonial and Indian Exhibition in London in 1882.

bition in London in 1888.

Oliver R. Marsh, a leading jeweller of Binghamton, died resterday morning, aged 10 years. When the Howard Watch Company was established in lioxbury, Mass, Mr. Marsh, who was one of its most trusted employees made the first American watch, which is still in the possession of his son, Frank Marsh of Waltham, Mass. Mr. Marsh had lived in Binghamton for the rast eighteen years.

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Isaac J. Burdick died in Saratoga yesterday, aged 92 years. His ancestors were among the early settlers of Warren county. Three children survive him, one of whom is the Rev. A. B. Burdick, pastor of the Free Methodist Church. Mr. Burdick's wile died twenty-three years ago. Her funeral was held on Easter bunday, the day upon which her husband's will take place.

Col. Frank Williams, a wealthy mine operator of Denver, died there yesterday at the age of 48. He leaves two daughters, who recently came into an inheritance in their own right from the estate of their mother, who was a daughter of Moses Taylor of New York city.

Sister Mary Salome of Mount St. Vincent Sister Mary Salome of Mount St. Vincent Convent died resterday afternoon of paralysis, aged 155. She had been a member of the order for forty years.

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Edward E. Murphy died on Thursday at his home, 114 Arlington avenue. Brooklyn, in his 52d year. He had been chattel mortrage eleck in the County Register's office for twenty-

A Sreeder from Dalr. Miss Isabel Irving, who has been for the past

six seasons a member of Augustin Daly's com-pany, returned from London last week and was engaged resterday by Daniel Frohman. the is to play leading business, and will next year act Lord Nucl in "The Amazons." She will be a member of the company which, under the management of Charles Frohman, will play Pinero's piece on the road, with Miss Johnstone Bennett as a feature of the company. Miss Irving will play the rôle Miss Carvan has in the Lyceum production. The year following she will head a company which will play here in New York for a lone season, under Dantel Frobman's management and then visit the larger cities. Miss Evangeline Irving, her sister, has been engaged to take her place in the large company. At the time of her retirement Miss Irving was the only one of the American actresses loft in the company, excepting Miss lichan and Mrs. tilibert. Her contract expired on March 3, and she refused to renew it. Her first appearance in New York was made with Rostin vokes, but she is best known through her appearances at Daly's Theatre. She has played secondary roles to Miss lichan, and was her understudy. In the West she has frequently played Miss Rehan's barts with the company. play Pinero's piece on the road, with Miss

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JIGGING FOR TOMCODS.

Connecticut Business and Pastime, and How the Art Was Discovered.

"It's a good thing that virtue is its own reward," said a man from Connecticut. "That is about all the recompense it ever gets, even in Connecticut. Now, for instance, take the confiding and credulous tomcod. Like all fish, the tomcod has habits. Unlike many fishes, none of the tomcod's habits is bad. Yet the moss innocent and touching of them leads the tom-cod to his inevitatie undoing over in Connecticut, especially along the Thames River. His very virtues are his ruin. He might better be a victors, rollicking thisving dogfish, the tomcod might, ten times over, than his own highly reputable and innocent self. He would live many times as long as he does, and have a heap more fun. Because then folks wouldn't jig for him. A good many scores of my compatriots take advantage of his trustfulness and jig him from his chilly but congenial home by the bushel.

Never ligged for tomcode? Then it is plain that you are so unfortunate as never to have lived in Connecticut-anyway, not in any of those parts of that incomparable State where tomeods are jigged. Not to jig for tomeods over there, especially along the Thames River, "The fatal habit of the tomeod is to be ea-

reseing. If you never noticed this peculiarity of the tomcod, make a point of doing it the very first chance you get. A good place him at it is from the end of some pler that rises from water he frequents. You will see him come up in schools around the supporting pieces of the pier and rub himself them, passing all around them, always in gentle contact with them, turning first this side and then that side to the pile, rubbing his nose against it and fondling it in many ways, as a pet cat might rub itself against your leg. But piers are not the only objects of the tomcod's fondness. He caresses all sorts of jetsam. and even ventures to the surface and pars his addresses to cold and unconscious flotsam. He puts his trust in anything that offers. His credulity is boundless. His confidence is sublime. And the jigger plays them for all they are worth.

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People in Connecticut are very observant folk, especially along the Thames River. One day long ago one of my fellow citizens sat musingly upon the bank of that storied stream, lie held in his hand a small cak bough on which leaves were clustered. At least he aimlessly dropped the bough into the river. It fell mear the shore, and the bunches of leaves sank somewhat below the surface. Presently toming themselves into the line of my fellow citizen's pensive vision. Scores of them surrounded the cak leaves and swam in a fondling way among them and about them, manifesting much the same dumb delight that a cat does as it rolls and wriggles on a bunch of catnip.

"After awhile this strange affinity between the cak leaves and the tomcods gradually gave my fellow citizen an idea. Fensiveness gave way to the practical. He got up and wenthoms, and then tied some sharp hooks to the end of a long stick. Then he returned to the river. The cak branch was still lying close at hand in the water. He manipulated its leaves beneath the water geatly, and as the carcesing and trustful tomcods responded to their undulating movements my fellow citizen yanked them out with the hooks at the end of his stick. So long as he kept the bunch of oak leaves moving in the water the tomcods swarmed about it, unmindful of the play of the destructive gaif among them. Now and then my fellow citizen would remove the bough from the water. Then the tomcods would instantly disappear. The oak brak again in the of the destructive gaif among them. Now and then my fellow citizen would remove the bough from the water. Then the tomcods would instantly disaprear. The oak back again in the water, back would come the tomcods, and were aware of no other presence. Soon the shore was strewn with the unauspecting fish, and, the sport becoming monotonous, my fellow citizen filled his basket and went home.

Of course this interesting discovery in placetorial p-yehology, so to speak, soon absorbed attention in those parts, and experimenters inced the banks of the Thames Blyer daily. These experiments at last took en the accepted name of linging, and tomcod jinging became a popular recreation in Connecticut, and is yet.

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became a popular recreation in Connecticut, and is yet.

"An expert with a hunch of oak leaves and a jig can fill a wagon with tomeods in a few hours if he wants to, and if every tomeod that swims was in a school around one bunch of leaves, and the jigger at that bunch could stay and jig long enough, he could make the race of tomeods extinct, for every tomeod would come right up to that bunch of leaves and be everiastingly jigged. A great many good Connecticut people profest that they jig for tomeods not for pleasure or pectualizers profit, but because of the great moral lesson they learn from it. Whether that is so on not the fact remains that the toothsome tomeod is the most confiding, credulous, and innocent of fishes.

The Weather. The storm which created so much disturbance in the Western States passed over the lake regions sarily yes-terday morning and down the St Lawrence Valley during the day; it was attended by rain over the lakes and Middle Atlantic States and rain and snow over the New England States and Canada and by an exception-ally dense fog on the coast in the morning. The winds became high northwest over the middle Atlantic coast shortly after noon, dissipating the fog, with clearing weather for the remainder of the day. South and west of the lakes the weather was clear, with an extensive area of high pressure covering all the south west. This insures fair weather for to-day and to-morrow in this region. It will be much cooler this morning and will remain cost over funday. Dense fog anveloped this city in the morning, clearing away at 1 P. M. The rais enied at the same time. humidity stood at 93 per cool in the morning, but rapidly decreased in the afternoon to TO, the wind shifted from nertheast to northwest, reaching 32 miles an hours at S.P. M.; sweap age velocity 22 miles an hour. The official temperature ranged between 38" and 57"; baremeter corrected to

read to sea level at S.A. M. 29-56, 3 P. M. 29-77, The thermometer in Perry's pharmacy in Tun Sun building recorded the temperature yesterday as follows.

3 A. M. 35° 40° 3 30° M. Ber 6 A. M. 36° 40° 6 F. M. 35° 9 A. 35° 40° 10° M. 35° 12 M. 35° 40° 12° M. 35° 12 M. 35° 40° 12° Mid. 34° Average on March 20, Indd WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR RATURDAY

Island, Connecticut, and eastern New York, mir; slightly ers; no thread areals. For the District of Columbia, eastern Pennsylvania, New Jarsey, Maryland, I slaware, and Virginia, fair; probably slightly cooler in the evening: west winds.
For West Virginia, western Pennsylvania, and western New York, generally fair: warmer probably hatusday night; variable winds.

For New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode

Whese Yesterday's Fires Were. P. M. -12:23, 57 Park avenue, John J. Murphy, no damage, 12 th, 30 Park street damage \$10, 5 21, 350 Sixth avenue, Hobert T. Downing, damage \$25.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

John Williamson, a farmer living at Jenkintown. U-ater county, was found hanging from a rafter in his hart yesterday afternoon. No one can account for the act.

a masked mob of men overpowered the jailer at Ox-ford. Huse, on Wednesday hight and rearned John Des-ter, a murdeser, a deputy sheriff recognised several massbers of the mob.

measures of the most. The jury in the case of one Howley of Fost Wayne, Inch. charged with killing his mother returned a verdict yes entary of murder in the first degree. Saing the penalty at many nine years in the penilentiary. Namer Jane Hermide was shot and killed at her house, two onless merits of Sorthville, S. T. at 2.30 F M. yeaterday, by Walled Wessalan, a beignior of the world of the state o